



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit: 3652
Examiner: D. Underwood

In Re PATENT APPLICATION of

Applicant : Chohei OKUNO)

Application. No. : 09/431,140)

Filed : November 1, 1999)

For : A ROBOT ARM MECHANISM)

Attorney Docket No. : 36595-160597)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

**RESPONSE TO
OFFICE ACTION**

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In the Office Action mailed September 12, 2001, the Examiner's required restriction between the species represented by Figures 2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 14, 16, 17, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 29 and 31. In response to the requirement, the applicant elects the species shown in figure 31. This species is also illustrated in figures 30 and 32.

The claims readable on the elected species are claims 1, 16, 18, 30, 31 and 32.

Respectfully submitted,

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